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# BEIJING DUBLIN INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMME

## Key Features

Beijing Dublin International College (BDIC) is a joint college of University College Dublin (UCD) and Beijing University of Technology (BJUT) established in 2012. Upon successful completion of the programme a student will be awarded two degrees, one from each university.

BDIC undergraduate degree programmes are delivered through the medium of the English language and, as such, have an English language emphasis, with more than twice as much English language tuition than is currently required by the Chinese educational system.

UCD is responsible for 55%, and BJUT 45%, of the overall programme content.

Study abroad opportunities exist for fourth year students who qualify to travel to UCD and who may wish to attend graduate school in Dublin.

Final award GPA will be calculated for each degree certificate, and will be calculated according to the guidelines of each of the awarding universities as evidenced by the statement of results during the programme of study and the final transcript of results upon completion of the programme.

The Grading Scheme uses letters and not percentage marks. Letter grades are awarded for each module (see appendix) and these letter grades will appear on both UCD and BJUT Statement of Results and Transcripts. Percentage marks are not awarded and therefore are not available.

Due to differences in the relevant credits included in meeting the requirements of each university, the stage GPA and final award GPA for the two degree certificates will differ. The UCD degree is calculated on the basis of 180 ECTS and is directly comparable to the most directly equivalent degree programme delivered in Dublin.

## Stage GPA

BJUT stage GPA includes credit for Chinese university core modules in ethics, politics, physical education and military theory and practice, in excess of the 240 ECTS credits.

UCD stage GPA is calculated based on the ECTS credits only.



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### Final Award GPA

BJUT final award GPA calculation includes credit for Chinese university core modules in ethics, politics, physical education and military theory and practice, in addition to the 180 ECTS credits.

*All stages*– the award GPA is the weighted average of the grade points awarded for the final successful attempt at those modules which have been completed and passed to satisfy the credit requirements of all stages weighted equally.

UCD final award GPA calculation is based on the ECTS credits only.

The Programme Examination Board will classify the overall award of an honours bachelor degree programme based on the award GPA. The award GPA is calculated using the following mode:

*Final and penultimate stages (stage-weighted)* – the award GPA is the weighted average of the grade points awarded for the final successful attempt at those modules which have been completed and passed to satisfy the credit requirements of the final and penultimate stages, where the grade points of final stage modules are weighted by a factor of 7 and those of penultimate stage modules are weighted by a factor of 3. (General Regulation 6.2.3)

The Programme Examination Board will not award Honours in individual subjects within an Honours Bachelor Degree.  
(General Regulation 6.2.4)

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## Appendix of Definitions and Guides

### Module Grade Scales

(R) after a letter grade indicates a Grade Point is capped because of a repeat module or retaken assessment

|              |  | <b>Grades</b> |
|--------------|--|---------------|
| Standard     | Excellent  | A+, A, A-     |
|              | Very Good  | B+, B, B-     |
|              | Good   | C+, C, C-     |
|              | Acceptable   | D+, D, D-     |
|              | Fail   | E, F, G       |
|              | No Grade   | NG            |
| Non Standard | Audit. No Credit Awarded   | AU            |
|              | Distinction  | DS            |
|              | Pass   | P             |
|              | Pass by Compensation   | PC            |
|              | Non Module Credits   | XG            |
|              | No Work  | NW            |
|              | Withdrawn (Future sittings may or may not have the grade point capped - see Regulations) | W             |
|              | Incomplete   | I, IX, IP     |

### Stages and Credits

A student will progress through a programme in stages. Completion of each stage normally requires the successful accumulation of credits specified for each programme.

The stage GPA includes all passed modules to date for the stage.

Programme specifications define the credit requirements of each stage of a programme, and will specify the range of modules which must, or may, be taken in order to satisfy these credit requirements.

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## **National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ)**

The National Framework of Qualifications was established in 2003 and provides a structure to facilitate the comparison of qualifications within Ireland. The Framework categories awards as either Major, Minor, Special Purpose or Supplemental. Universities generally make awards between NFQ levels 8 - 10 as follows (with Minor and Special Purpose awards may be awarded at level 7 such as University Certificates and Diplomas)

| <b>UCD Major Award</b>                           | <b>NFQ Level</b> |
|--|------------------|
| Honours Bachelor Degree Awards / Higher Diplomas | Level 8          |
| Masters Degree Awards / Graduate Diplomas        | Level 9          |
| Doctoral Degree Awards                           | Level 10         |